# Ochoco National Forest and Crooked River National Grassland

# 2014 Invasive Plant Accomplishments

The Ochoco National Forest and Crooked River National Grassland Invasive Plant Program had a very successful year. Prevention, control, surveying, and working with partners remain the focus. Highlights include:

- Implementation of the 2012 Invasive Plant Treatments EIS, including the use of herbicides and early detection/rapid response on 25 sites.
- Accomplished 53 acres of revegetation for invasive plant prevention in disturbed areas.
- 15 miles of streams were surveyed for aquatic invasive species
- 787 acres of weed surveys were completed in project areas and wilderness areas.
- 76 acres of material source pits were surveyed and treated.
- Over 277 people were reached through 198 hours of public meetings, educational programs, and field trips.
- Volunteers put in 40 hours controlling noxious weed infestations, surveying, and setting up monitoring plots.
- Conducted high resolution aerial photography project over scablands, that contain permanent plots, to help map ventenata and use data to conduct future risk assessments.
- Implemented an integrated strategy to control/contain 4,086 acres of invasive plants including 1,717 acres of herbicide control and 2,369 acres of manual control.



Youth Conservation Corps removing Houndstongue from the Bridge Creek Wilderness Area, Paulina RD

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COIC sampling for medusahead, pre juniper treatment, on the Crooked River National Grassland.

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Acres treated = 4,086 ac.

Total Funding = \$229,283 USFS Invasives funding = \$217,336 Other USFS funding = \$11,947

### **Partners/Cooperators**

Northwest Youth Corps, Heart of Oregon Corps/Americorps /Youth Conservation Corps, Jefferson County Weed Control, Wheeler SWCD, Crook County Weed Control, Crooked River Weed Management Area, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (COIC), Middle Deschutes Watershed Council, Powell Butte Community Charter School, Jefferson CO SWCD, FANS



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